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SUBJ: RATE FILING WITH FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

1. BENNETT SPARROW SHIPPING LTD. OF WEM, SHROPSHIRE, ENGLAND (MR. HALL - PHONE WEM 32136) CALLED EMBASSY NOV. 14 TO REQUEST ADVICE ON SHORT NOTICE RATE FILING WITH FMC. HALL SAID HIS COMPANY CHARTERS VESSEL "HANSA BAY" SINGAPORE REGISTERED, NORWEGIAN OWNED TO DELIVER CASTINGS FROM UK FOUNDRYS TO US COMPANIES (ROCKWELL, CLARK EQUIPMENT, DANA CORP., AMERICAN MOTORS, AND OTHERS).

2. DURING PAST SUMMER, BENNETT SPARROW DELIVERED CASTINGS SAILING OUT OF ELLESMERE PORT TO TOLEDO; DURING COMING WINTER SEASON PLANS TO MAKE DELIVERIES TO PHILADELPHIA PORT. HALL SAID HE JUST LEARNED THAT FMC REQUIRES RATES BE FILED 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF SHIP LOADING WHICH TO BEGIN END OF NOVEMBER FOR FIRST WEEK DECEMBER SAILING TO PHILADELPHIA.

3. IN VIEW FACT THAT LESS THAN 30 DAYS NOW REMAIN BEFORE LOADING, HALL ASKED WHAT COULD BE DONE TO HAVE RATES APPROVED EXPEDITIOUSLY. WE TOLD HALL TO TELEGRAPH RATES TO FMC WITH REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL IN TIME TO PERMIT LOADING AND SAILING AS PLANNED FOR LATE NOVEMBER AND EARLY DECEMBER RESPECTIVELY, BUT CAUTIONED WE UNCLASSIFIED

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COULD GIVE NO ASSURANCE WHAT FMC DECISION WOULD BE. HALL

SAID RATE FILING WILL BE TELEXED TO FMC NOV. 14 WITH
DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM.

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF THERE ANY ACTION EMBASSY MIGHT
TAKE TO ASSIST FMC AND BENNETT SPARROW TO RESOLVE THIS
PROBLEM.

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